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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as shown in marked-up form as follows:

Page 1, paragraph 1:

BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Electronic devices often need to perform the function of a switch, providing either a very high or a very low resistance between two pins or other contact terminals on the outside of the package of the device. A control circuit switches the switch on and off, so as to provide either the very high or very low resistance between the pins (the short circuit is not a matter of glitches: the switch provides a short-circuit persistently if switched-on). Devices with such switches are applied for example in DC/DC converters and other circuits wherein the power supply of other circuits has to flow through the switch.

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING

These and other advantageous aspects of the circuit according to the invention will be described in more detail using the following figures, of which

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

Figure 1 shows a circuit diagram of an electronic device, for example part of a DC/DC converter or another circuit wherein the power supply of other circuits (not shown) has to flow between outputs 14, 16 through the switch 12a,b. The circuit diagram shows a control circuit 10, a first output transistor 12a, a second output transistor 12b and outputs 14, 16. The control circuit 10 has a first and second output coupled to the control electrode of first and second output transistor 12a,b. The main current channels of the first and second output transistor 12a,b are connected in parallel between the outputs 14, 16. In normal use, the circuit is packaged in a standard package such as the SO-8 package, the TSSOP-8 package, the HTSSOP-16 package or in a flip-chip. The outputs 14, 16 are external terminals of such a package, the individual source connections of the output

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transistors 12a,b are not accessible separately from one another from outside the package. The same holds for their drain connections.